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TAGS: PINT, SP
SUBJECT: LA PASIONARIA RETURNS

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1. THIRTY-EIGHT YEARS AFTER GOING INTO EXILE AND 34 HOURS
AFTER RECEIVING HER SPANISH PASSPORT, 81-YEAR-OLD PCE PRESI-
DENT DOLORES IBARRURI (LA PASIONARIA) ARRIVED IN MADRID
UNDER TIGHT SECURITY LAST NIGHT ABOARD A REGULARLY-SCHEDULED
AEROFLOT FLIGHT FROM MOSCOW. SHE REPORTEDLY WAS SEEN OFF
IN THE SOVIET CAPITAL BY CPSU LIMINARIES SUSLOV AND PONOMAROV.

2. ALTHOUGH PCE SPOKESMAN INSISTED THROUGHOUT THE DAY THAT
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LA PASIONARIA WAS NOT EXPECTED IN MADRID UNTIL MAY 22, A
LATE SPANISH WIRE SERVICE REPORT OUT OF MOSCOW ADVISING
OF HER DEPARTURE BROUGHT SOME 100 NEWSMEN AND A FEW HUNDRED
PARTY MILITANTS TO THE AIRPORT TO GREET HER. BUT SHE WAS
MET AT THE FOOT OF THE RAMP, REPORTEDLY BY AN IBERIA AIR-
LINES STATION WAGON, AND SPIRITED AWAY INTO MADRID WITHOUT

EITHER THE PRESS OR THE AWAITING PARTY MEMBERS HAVING THE OPPORTUNITY TO APPROACH HER, CURIOUSLY, PCE SEC GEN SANTIAGO CARRILLO APPARENTLY WAS NOT ON HAND DUE TO HIS PARTICIPATION IN A PCE RALLY IN SEVILLE.

3. THE MADRID MORNING PRESS HAS GIVEN LA PASIONARIA'S RETURN FRONT-PAGE COVERAGE, BUT IT HAS BEEN OVERSHADOWED BY A NUMBER OF OTHER ITEMS, NOTABLY VIOLENCE IN THE BASQUE PROVINCES (SEPTEL) AND DON JUAN'S RENUNCIATION TODAY (MADRID 3724) OF HIS DYNASTIC CLAIM. WE NOTE THAT OPINION POLLS CONSISTENTLY SHOW IBARRURI -- EVEN MORE THAN CARRILLO -- TO BE AN ELECTORAL LIABILITY FOR THE PCE AMONG ALL THOSE BUT THE COMPLETELY COMMITTED. SHE HEADS THE PARTY'S LOWER HOUSE LIST FROM ASTURIAS. WE ARE WAITING TO SEE HOW MUCH REACTION THERE IS FROM THE RIGHT. STABLER

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